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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number

Filing Date

First Named Inventor

Joseph W. Works

Examiner Name

Art Unit

Attorney Docket No. 123.01

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 ZSQ	2001 375		Utility filing fee	375
1002 330	2002 165		Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260		Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375		Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80		Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 375)				

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee from Extra Claims below		
		Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Fee Description
Total Claims 21	-20** =	1	X 9	9
Independent Claims 4	-3** =	1	X 42	42
Multiple Dependent				
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 51)				

* or number previously paid, if greater. For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES			
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Fee
1051 130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052 50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
1053 130	1053	130	Non-English specification
1812 2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
1804 920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
1805 1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251 110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month
1252 410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month
1253 930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month
1254 1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255 1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401 320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal
1402 320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403 280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing
1451 1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452 110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
1453 1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional
1501 1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
1502 470	2502	235	Design issue fee
1503 630	2503	315	Plant issue fee
1460 130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807 50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
1806 180	1808	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
8021 40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
1809 750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))
1810 750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))
1801 750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
1802 900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application

Other fee (specify)

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	123.01
First Inventor	Joseph W. Works
Title	System for Mounting Hitches to Hydroformed Frames
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit on original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages 28]
(Detailed arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
- Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 2]
- Oath or Declaration (*unsigned*) [Total Pages 2]
 - Newly executed (original or copy)
 - Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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 - Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - paper
 - Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Attorney (when there is an assignee)
- English Translation Document (if applicable)
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
- Preliminary Amendment
- Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
- Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- Other: _____

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 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. _____

Prior application information Examiner: _____

Group Art Unit: _____

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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor	Joseph W. Works
Title	System For Mounting Hitches to Hydroformed Frame S
Attorney Docket Number	123.01

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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